

SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services: Senators Akaka (Chairman), Levin, Torricelli, Cleland, Carper, Carnahan, Dayton, Cochran (Ranking Member), Stevens, Collins, Voinovich, Domenici, and Bennett.

Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia: Senators Durbin (Chairman), Akaka, Torricelli, Carper, Carnahan, Dayton, Voinovich (Ranking Member), Stevens, Collins, Domenici, and Cochran.

Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations: Senators Levin (Chairman), Akaka, Durbin, Torricelli, Cleland, Carper, Carnahan, Dayton, Collins (Ranking Member), Stevens, Voinovich, Domenici, Cochran, Bennett, and Bunning.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee began hearings on the nomination of Robert S. Mueller III, of California, to be Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, where the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 6 public bills, H.R. 2672–2677; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 204–205 and H. Res. 215, were introduced. **Pages H4862–63**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 213, providing for consideration of H.R. 2647, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002 (H. Rept. 107–171).

H. Res. 214, providing for consideration of H.R. 2505, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit human cloning (H. Rept. 107–172);

H.R. 2510, to extend the expiration date of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (H. Rept. 107–173);

H.R. 2441, to amend the Public Health Service Act to redesignate a facility as the National Hansen's Disease Programs Center (H. Rept. 107–174); and

H.R. 2291, to extend the authorization of the Drug-Free Communities Support Program for an additional 5 years, to authorize a National Community Antidrug Coalition Institute, amended (H. Rept. 107–175 Pt. 1). **Page H4862**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Aderholt to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H4781**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:59 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H4785**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Export Administration Act Extension: H.R. 2602, to extend the Export Administration Act until November 20, 2001; **Pages H4786–87**

World Conference Against Racism: H. Res. 212, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the World Conference Against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia, and Related Intolerance presents a unique opportunity to address global discrimination (agreed to by a yeas-and-nays vote of 408 yeas to 3 nays with 3 voting "present," Roll No. 290); **Pages H4787–90, H4813**

Release of U.N. Videotape to Israeli Government: H. Res. 191, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United Nations should immediately transfer to the Israeli Government an unedited and uncensored videotape that contains images which could provide material evidence for the investigation into the incident on October 7, 2000, when Hezbollah forces abducted 3 Israeli Defense Force soldiers, Adi Avitan, Binyamin Avraham, and Omar Souad (agreed to by a yeas-and-nays vote of 411 yeas to 4 nays with 1 voting "present," Roll No. 291); **Pages H4790–92, H4813–14**

National Mathematics and Science Partnerships Act: H.R. 1858, amended, to make improvements in mathematics and science education; **Pages H4792–H4802**

National Science Education Act: H.R. 100, amended, to establish and expand programs relating to science, mathematics, engineering, and technology education; **Pages H4802–07**

Retention of Frequent Flyer Miles for Personal Use: H.R. 2456, to provide that Federal employees

may retain for personal use promotional items received as a result of travel taken in the course of employment;
Pages H4807–08

National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month: H. Con. Res. 190, supporting the goals and ideals of National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 418 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 292); and
Pages H4809–11, H4814–15

Expanded Participation in District of Columbia Tuition Assistance Grant Program: H.R. 1499, to amend the District of Columbia College Access Act of 1999 to permit individuals who graduated from a secondary school prior to 1998 and individuals who enroll in an institution of higher education more than 3 years after graduating from a secondary school to participate in the tuition assistance programs under such Act.
Pages H4811–13

VA/HUD Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2002: The House passed H.R. 2620, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002 by a yea-and-nay vote of 336 yeas to 89 nays, Roll No. 297. The bill was considered on July 26, and 27.
Pages H4815–61

Rejected the Boyd motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report it back with an amendment which increases funding for veterans medical care programs by an amount adequate to fund the full cost of all currently authorized services including those authorized by the Veterans Millennium Health Care Act by a recorded vote of 196 yeas to 230 noes, Roll No. 296.
Pages H4859–60

Agreed To:

Jackson-Lee amendment No. 30 printed in the Congressional Record of July 26 that restores Corporation for National and Community Service programs;
Pages H4825–27

Capps amendment No. 7 printed in the Congressional Record of July 25 that increases funding for EPA Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund by \$7.2 million with offsets from EPA Environmental Programs and Management Account;
Pages H4827–28

Pallone amendment No. 19 printed in the Congressional Record of July 25 that increases funding for EPA quality testing of beach water by \$3 million with offsets from EPA State and Tribal Assistance Grants;
Pages H4828–29

Pelosi amendment No. 37 printed in the Congressional Record of July 26, as modified, that increases

funding for registering and accessing pesticides by \$3 million, from \$17 million to \$20 million;
Pages H4832–33

Bishop amendment No. 25 printed in the Congressional Record of July 25 that sought to establish the Minority Emergency Preparedness Demonstration program at FEMA;
Pages H4840–42

Waxman amendment No. 41 printed in the Congressional Record of July 26 that prohibits the implementation of the April 2001 report concerning the development of a 25 year general use plan for the Department of Veterans Affairs West Los Angeles Healthcare Center;
Page H4844

Rangel amendment No. 38 printed in the Congressional Record of July 26 that eliminates the requirement for community service by public housing residents;
Pages H4844–45

Traficant amendment No. 40 printed in the Congressional Record of July 26 that prohibits any funding to persons or entities that have been convicted of violating the Buy American Act;
Pages H4945–46

Rejected:

Barcia amendment No. 24 printed in the Congressional Record of July 26 that sought to increase funding for the sewer overflow control grants program by \$140 million with offsets from the EPA hazardous substance superfund program (rejected by a recorded vote of 99 yeas to 325 noes, Roll No. 293);
Pages H4829–32, H4855–56

Capps amendment No. 6 printed in the Congressional Record of July 25 that sought to earmark \$25 million from FEMA funding for Project Impact dealing with pre-disaster hazard mitigation (rejected by a recorded vote of 190 yeas to 231 noes, Roll No. 294);
Pages H4834–37, H4856

Roemer amendment No. 5 printed in the Congressional Record of July 24 that sought to cap funding for the International Space Station at \$42 billion, the limitation established by section 202 of the NASA Authorization Act of 2000, and prohibit NASA from deferring or canceling funding for Habitation Module, Crew Return Vehicle, or Propulsion Module elements of the Space Station; and
Pages H4847–51

Frank amendment that sought to prohibit the FHA from raising the multifamily housing mortgage insurance premium to an amount greater than the cost with offsets of \$5 million from the HUD Operation Safe Home program (rejected by a recorded vote of 212 yeas to 212 noes, Roll No. 295).
Pages H4852–55, H4856–57

Withdrawn:

Weldon of Pennsylvania amendment No. 42 printed in the Congressional Record of July 26 was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase FEMA Fire Assistance Grant program by

\$50 million with offsets from HUD salaries and expenses account; **Pages H4816–20**

Jackson-Lee of Texas en bloc amendment consisting of amendments Nos. 31, 33, 34, and 35 printed in the Congressional Record of July 26 was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to increase funding for section 8 housing tenant assistance by \$100 million, NASA Space Grant Program by \$8.9 million, Minority University Research and Education Program by \$58 million, and National Science Foundation funding for training young scientists and engineers by \$662 million with offsets of \$100 million from the Public Housing Capital Fund; **Pages H4821–23**

Roemer amendment No. 20 printed in the Congressional Record of July 25 was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to eliminate funding for the International Space Station; and **Page H4838**

Frelinghuysen amendment No. 12 printed in the Congressional Record of July 25 was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to prohibit any funding to implement or administer the Veterans Equitable Resource Allocation system. **Page H4842**

Points of Order Sustained:

Against Jackson-Lee amendment No. 36 printed in the Congressional Record of July 26 that sought to increase Community Planning and Development Block Grant program funding by \$100 million for emergency assistance programs; **Pages H4823–25**

Against language on page 64 line 12 through 17 dealing with drinking water contaminants; and **Page H4832**

Against the Frank amendment that sought to prohibit the FHA from raising the multifamily housing mortgage insurance premium to an amount greater than the cost. **Pages H4852–52**

The House agreed to H. Res. 210, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill on July 26. Amendments were considered today pursuant to the unanimous consent order of July 27.

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H4781.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H4863–64.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H4813, H4813–14, H4814–15, H4855–56, H4856, H4856–57, H4860, and H4860–61. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 12:10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 31.

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a Fiscal Year 2002 ArmBudget Overview. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Army: Thomas White, Secretary; and Gen. Eric Schinseki, USA, Chief of Staff.

The Subcommittee also met in executive session to hold a hearing on Ballistic Missile Defense. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Lt. Gen. Ronald Kadish, USAF, Director, Ballistic Missile Defense Organization; and Paul Wolfowitz, Deputy Secretary.

GOVERNMENT ISSUED CREDIT CARD ABUSE

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management and Intergovernmental Relations held a hearing on “The Use and Abuse of Government Purchase Cards: Is Anyone Watching.” Testimony was heard from Senator Grassley; Gregory D. Kutz, Director, Financial Management and Assurance, GAO; Patricia Mead, Acting Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Office of Acquisition, Federal Supply Service, GSA; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Capt. John E. Surash, USN, Commanding Officer, Navy Public Works Center, San Diego; Capt. Ernest L. Valdes, USN, Commander, Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center, San Diego; Vice Adm. Keith W. Lippert, USN, Director, Defense Logistics Agency; Jerry Hinton, Director, Finance, Defense Finance and Accounting Services; and Deidra Lee, Director, Defense Procurement.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2647, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 4(c) of rule XIII (requiring the three-day availability of printed hearings on a general appropriations bill). The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized or legislative provisions in a general appropriations bill). The rule makes in order only the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the rule, which may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent,